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As I See It ...

By Lou Zauner

The New Year is well underway, but there's still plenty of time to partake of the fabulous banquet of activities your Home provides! Following The Grapevine for event news and being in contact with the Activity Department will give you access to a surprising bonanza of interesting, stimulating, entertaining and sometimes exciting events that rewards your time and effort with new interests and friendships. Let's go to a month by month sketch:

February: *Black History Month* programs feature music, informative speakers and fabulous ethnic food. This year there's a visit to the Sacramento Railroad Museum. For the future, the *Super Bowl Party* at the Tavern and *Napa Elks Dinner* means great food and great fellowship.



March: Watch for *St. Patrick's Day* activities. *Kith 'n Kin*, a great group of Irish entertainers warrants your attention. And hopefully the *U.S. Army Field Band* will again favor us with a visit. "A Taste of Yountville celebrates the *Napa Valley Mustard Festival*."



April: Learn more about your Home at the *Founder's Day Celebration*. And watch for the schedules of baseball games and new symphony programs at *Lincoln Theater*



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May: *Memorial Day* events offer several days of solemn ceremonies and patriotic observances : Cemetery Clean-Up, Posting of Colors, Decoration of Cemetery, Watch Fire, Memorial Day Ceremony and Concert. A most important time in life at our Home.



June: *Flag Day* is also special at the Veterans Home with the *Great Northwest District Elks Flag Day Program and Picnic*; and *Operation Gratitude* is a major annual event (this year the 6th) for honoring our Home members by the 349th Air Mobility Wing at Travis AFB.



July: Of course, the *4th of July* celebration is big—and festive, with all the traditions of our Nation's Birthday brought to life on our “main street.” And, the summer times begins with the magnanimous *Residential Care Picnic* touted as “the best of the year” (among many other greats to follow) the VFW and American Legion picnics. You come and pick the best.



August: Continuing picnic time, field trips, baseball, swimming, golf; and more picnics.



September: *AMVETS Appreciation Day and Picnic*, *Pow Wow* for learning more about Na-
tive American culture; and be sure to watch for the *Wheelchair Regatta* day and sign up early!



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October: *Yountville Day Parade, Senior Games* and lots of outings. And don't miss the annual *Hal-loween Party!*



November: *Celebrity Chefs Luncheon*—a “Home Members only” fabulous dinner! And, of course, our time for Thanksgiving



December and January: The Holiday Season and Christmas time gets well underway with innumerable parties and community events such as the “Festival of Lights” in Yountville—and the New Year’s Party starts it all over again.

Remember, these are only a few of each months events! Our benevolent lodges and service organizations will offer more, and don't forget the movies and Lincoln Theater presentations. Check with the Activity Department, review The Grapevine schedules, the bulletin boards. Keep in touch and **PAR-TICIPATE** for maximum enjoyment at the Home.



Black History Month Celebrations

2007 Grapevine Deadlines and Distribution Dates

Month	Deadline	Distribution
Feb	26	16
Mar	12, 26	2, 16, 30
Apr	9, 23	13, 27
May	7, 21	11, 25
Jun	4, 18, 29	8, 22
Jul	16, 30	6, 20
Aug	13, 27	3, 17, 31
Sep	10, 24	14, 28
Oct	5, 22	12, 26
Nov	5, 15	9, 21
Dec	3, 17, 31	7, 21

Luncheon: 11 am to 12:30 pm in Lee Lounge. Sign up in the Activities Office in the Recreation Center. Seating is limited.

Free Gospel Extravaganza February 17th at 1:00 pm in Lincoln Theater. Call the Lincoln Theater Box Office at 944-1300 to reserve tickets.

Featured Singers:

Shiloh Church of God and Christ
St. Mark Youth Choir
King Solomon Baptist Church

For more information call Bernard at 944-4903

Living at the Veterans Home of California in Yountville

By Lou Zauner

For over 47 years the Native Daughters of the Golden West have gathered at the Home for their annual 'Ladies Valentine Tea.' Ignoring the rainy weather, the get-together of over 35 members met for their traditional event again on Saturday, February 10 at Grant Hall.

Beginning at 1:30 p.m. the fun time started with bingo and door prize drawings followed by the gracious serving of 'tea' (or coffee) which also included a selection of homemade cakes and cupcakes of every description and flavor from pineapple up-side down cake, to lemon, chocolate, white frosted, strawberry plus cupcakes--all exceeding something like a 'baker's dozen' to present a real choice challenge.

The table settings are provided by Barbara Dulinsky, who for all the years has devotedly attended this lavish tea sponsored by the George C. Yount #322 Native Daughters of the Golden West, Yountville chapter. The priceless tea cups, saucers and necessary items for the elegant settings are brought to Grant Hall and then again retrieved for washing and preparation for the following year by Barbara, who also serves the community of Yountville for other events that deserve sincere appreciation.

The Native Daughters of the Golden West is a statewide organization whose lady-members have all been born in California. The Yountville chapter has both members of the Home and residents of Yountville; and dedicated organizers such as Barbara Dulinsky and our Home Member Lillian Stilson.

Congratulations to all of you ready to reach a half-century for this graceful time of 'fun, laughter, bingo, prizes, cakes—and tea.'

An Elegant Native Daughters Valentine Tea



Members of Native Daughters and Yountville residents and volunteers: Karen May, Barbara Dulinsky



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Napa Elks Lodge hosts another Cordial Veterans Home Dinner

By Lou Zauner

Cordiality, friendship and dedication are only a few of the words to describe the devotion Napa Elks Lodge #832 shows its Yountville Veterans Home Members. The generous dinner invitation for Friday, February 9, was attended by over 150 Home Members with

Napa Elk Lodge Members, Home Staff, Boy Scouts from Troop 832, numerous volunteers and guests swelling the huge banquet room to over 300. The Home's newest bus plus five others and a truck were dispatched from the Home at 5 p.m. to the Napa Elks Lodge to begin another festive evening until 8 p.m. return time.

Preceding the dinner, the time for the Presentation of Colors, by the Boy Scouts Honor Guard, Pledge of Allegiance, singing of the National Anthem, and the Benediction is the time for the reminder of patriotism and blessings received.

George "Bus" Langdon, the Master of Ceremonies and Home Administrator Marcella McCormack greeted the crowd with comments resonating the mutual affection the Napa Elks and Veterans Home Members have for each other. Bus quipped, "We feel you belong to us." Marcella responded with well-deserved praise for the beyond-generous work and beneficence Bus has given to the Home for so many years; and Bus did comment on the huge quantities of popcorn he delivers to the Home with amazement at our consumption.

Marcella McCormack and Bus Langdon



The buffet-style dinner of perfectly-prepared roast beef and chicken, peas and carrots, macaroni, bean, beets and mixed salads, rolls and butter; with dessert a choice of chocolate or carrot cake. The Boy Scouts gave invaluable assistance in helping serve those unable to attend the table line. Our many thanks to the fine chefs and volunteers for another sumptuous dinner.

And, our grateful appreciation for our Napa Elks Lodge #832 benefactors and friends, Boy Scouts Troop 832; and with special thanks again to Bus Langdon for his continual dedication to the Veterans Home, Yountville.

Tips for Improved Communication

From Mike Southard, Audiology

There are a number of strategies that hearing impaired persons may employ in order to improve communication:

- Make it a habit to watch the speaker even if listening is not difficult. It is good to get into the habit of paying attention.
- Don't interrupt the speaker before he/she finishes a sentence. You may not understand the beginning, but may catch the end.
- When you are aware that you missed something that was said, ask for it to be repeated. Don't be vague, rather be specific and ask the speaker to repeat only what was missed.
- Summarize what you did hear so that your communication partner knows what to fill in.
- Learn the topic being discussed. When you know what a person is talking about, it is easier to follow the conversation.
- Learn to look for ideas rather than isolated words.
- Keep alert for "keywords" in sentences in order to follow ideas.
- Use the clues from the situation to help get meanings. The idea is often spelled out by the actual situation. You may be able to anticipate words or phrases that will probably be used.
- Don't be afraid to guess.
- Keep informed of your friends' interests. If you and your friends have favorite topics, this limited content makes understanding easier.
- Stay aware of current events. When you know something about a topic you can more readily recognize key words, names and so forth. It will be helpful to read the daily newspaper and to be aware of the programs many people watch, even if you don't watch TV.
- Ask family members to keep you informed about things that are happening in your community and neighborhood and about events in the lives of people you know.
- *Keep your sense of humor!*

Do you like music?

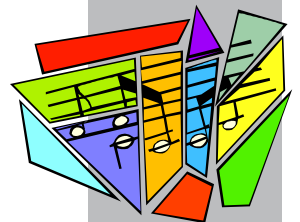
Then come join the JAMMERS! All instruments, voices and levels of skill are welcome. If you don't know and want to learn, we will teach you.

Every Tuesday at 1:00 pm in Grant Hall at the Members Services Building (aka Recreation Building).

Do you enjoy singing?

Then come and join the SENIOR CHORALE! Anyone interested is welcome.

Every Wednesday at 11:00 am in the Second Floor Day Room at Truman Hall (Section F).





Caring for California's Aging Veterans

By Lou Zauner; photo by Glen Nock

This was the agenda of the California's Commission on Aging Field Hearing held in Lee Lounge from 10 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, February 7. Some 75 Home Members, Staff, and guests gathered to welcome 18 Commission Members and 4 Panelists to learn of current studies and efforts to aid not only the older veterans but assistance being provided for Vietnam Veterans and returning Iraq and Afghanistan service personnel.

Home Administrator Marcella McCormack welcomed the gathering with a brief history of the Veterans Home, Yountville; and an overview of the medical care programs and recreational facilities provided to Home Members. Bill Parente, Deputy Secretary of California Veterans Affairs presented an overview of the medical care and services provided for by the Veterans Homes and facilities throughout California. Comments by both Marcella McCormack and Bill Parente referred to the Dementia Units being added to the Home and other California veterans services emphasizing the growing problem of dementia confronting aging veterans

The Panelists: Dwight Wilson, RN, Chair, VISN 21 Extended Care Product Line; Cheryl Diehm, District Representative for Congressman Mike Thompson; Michael Blecker, Executive Director, Swords to Plowshares; Denver Mills, Director/Team Leader, Concord Vet Center. Each panelist discussed their organizations's function and activities toward aiding the health problems of aging and returning veterans. A theme that was carried throughout each discussion was the challenge of the "over-taxed and under-resourced" long-term consequences of veterans health care. Also, emphasis was given to the problem of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, faced by all veterans of combat but a severe mental condition affecting 40% of Iraq and Afghanistan returnees. One shocking statistic of war, stated by the panel, was the estimated cost for caring for a catastrophically injured veteran at \$135,000 annually

The California Commission on Aging is an advocacy body of 25 volunteer members representing the information and work of some 33 Area Agencies on Aging that covers all geographic areas of California. Six meetings per year are held throughout California for the purpose of securing input from seniors, caregivers, administrators and the general public. Specific priority issues are selected for the focus of each meeting.

With much appreciation for the expert moderation of the Hearing by the Commission's Chair, Celia Esquivel; and for this Home-site meeting, we are grateful for the in-depth discussion and information presented by the Panelists and all participants for the health and welfare of our California veterans.

A Super Way to watch Super Bowl

By Lou Zauner

Yes, “there is a Tavern at the Home, at the Home;” and on Super Bowl Sunday, February 4, from 3 p.m. to after 6 p.m. some 60 football-faithful made themselves comfortable to witness the 41st annual epic on two large television screens.

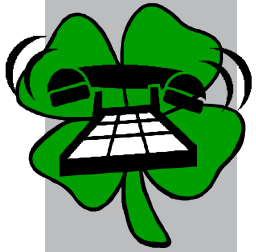
While the Indianapolis Colts and Chicago Bears sloshed out their talents on a wet and wild Miami night gridiron, Home Members and their guests were treated to a pre-game hors d’oeuvres table of cheeses, cheese spreads, chips, crackers, salsas and relishes--plus the necessary game additive of popcorn.

Sipping beverages and munching on the food treats was a lot warmer and cozier in the Tavern than what the stadium spectators in Miami were going through watching the spine-wrenching antics of the two best-of-the-best football teams. And, the extra bonus of food bonanza arrived at 3:30 p.m. featuring barbecued ribs, chicken wings, mini-weiners, baked beans, macaroni salad, rolled beef and ham, rolls and butter. All this provided to Home Members through the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Fund with a \$5 stipend for guests--all arranged by Post-Fund Enterprises.

Oh, yes; back to the game. The Colts won 29 to 17, mainly because the Colts quarterback, Peyton Manning held onto the ball when others couldn’t. Prince was barely able to hang onto his guitar during the wet half-time show, and the high-priced commercials, judged by the experts, were also soggy compared to previous years. The Tavern is definitely the place for the Super Bowl Annual. See you there next year!



The Good and Bad of Phone Rumors



GOOD

ICE on your Cell Phone? (TRUE)

The ICE program was begun by a paramedic who realized that when he went to the scene of an accident, there always seemed to be a cell phone with the patient, but he often didn't know which number to call. Therefore he thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name to use for emergency contact information. His catchy idea is to program and store the phone number of your emergency contact in your phone's address book under the heading ICE.

Bob Brotchie, a paramedic and clinical team leader for the East Anglican Ambulance NHS Trust, launched a national "In Case of Emergency" (ICE) campaign to encourage everyone with a cell phone to store emergency contact numbers under ICE. In an emergency situation, medical personnel could be able to contact your emergency contact person by dialing the number programmed under ICE. If there is more than one person to notify, you can enter them in order of importance ICE1, ICE2, etc.

Although ICE began in England it is quickly spreading to other countries and is a very simple way of adding another source of emergency information. However, the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) pointed out that ICE should be used only in addition to (not in place of) more standard forms of identification and emergency information. There are drawbacks to the ICE program – in an accident the cell phone may be lost or damaged, many people "lock" their cell phones with a PIN number to prevent others from using them, the batteries may be discharged, there may be more than one cell phone found during the emergency and cell phones can't easily be matched to the owner, and with the many different types and brands of cell phones on the market, it is not necessarily easy to access the phone's address book.

Definitely program an ICE number in your cell phone's address book but also attach emergency information to your photo ID or keep it nearby your ID in your wallet or purse.

90# on your telephone (FALSE)

The 90# scam has been around for years but it is directed at businesses, hospitals, government agencies and other organizations that use telephone switching equipment called Private Branch Exchanges (PBXs). On a PBX system pressing where 90# will transfer the caller to an outside line. Then it is possible for the caller to make long distance calls.

On residential lines and cell phones you cannot transfer a caller to an outside line by pressing 90#. Therefore, as residents of the Home, we are not affected by this scam. Below are some points about this scam worth remembering:

- This scam doesn't affect residential customers; its target is businesses.
- An AT&T service technician would never call customers and ask them to help check phone lines.



BAD

Cost-of-Living Increase Legislation Introduced

U.S. Senator Daniel K. Akaka (D-HI) has introduced legislation to increase veterans' compensation through a Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA). A bipartisan group of Senators signed on to co-sponsor the bill: Senator Larry Craig (R-ID), Senator John D. Rockefeller IV (D-WV), Senator Patty Murray (D-WA), Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT), Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH), Senator Jim Webb (D-VA), and Senator John Ensign (R-NV). The COLA increase for veterans would match the annual increase provided to Social Security recipients. The COLA is designed to offset inflation and other factors that lead to the rising cost of living over time. This year's increase has yet to be determined. Senator Akaka is the Chairman of the Veterans' Affairs Committee.

Court of Appeals Sets Record Pace

U.S. Senator Larry Craig says that he is very pleased that the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims is continuing on a record setting pace of decision making, according to information provided by Chief Judge William Greene, Jr. "The court is on track to issue at least 3,800 decisions this year, and perhaps even more. Since its creation in 1988, the most decisions the court had ever issued in one year was 3,336. So exceeding 4,000 would be a phenomenal achievement," says Craig, the Ranking Member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs. The court is continuing to experience record levels of incoming cases.

VA Improves Services for Visually-Impaired

More than a million visually impaired veterans will receive enhanced health care services from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) under a reorganization of VA's vision rehabilitation services. VA will make approximately \$40 million available during the next three years to establish a comprehensive nationwide rehabilitation system for veterans and active duty personnel with visual impairments. Basic low-vision services will be available at all VA eye clinics, and every VA network will offer intermediate and advanced low-vision services, including a full spectrum of optical devices and electronic visual aids. VA estimates there are more than 1 million visually impaired veterans over the age of 45 in the United States.

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- The best prevention against this type of fraud is for business managers to make their office staffs aware of it and to review what to do if it happens.
- If someone receives such a call, he or she should ask the "technician" for a call-back number or for the name and number of the caller's supervisor. Then hang up.
- When in doubt – hang up!

To report this or any other phone scams AT&T business customers should call their account representatives. You also can call the AT&T Business Customer Care Center at 1-800-222-0400, or report the scam to your local law enforcement agency.



Left to right:
Ralph Seell-
rechp, Jim
Dvorak, Olin
Woods, Karen
Riddle, Edith
Malan, Jack
McHale, Larry
Griffin.



Step into Fitness Program

The New Year has begun and for all of you with those New Years Resolutions to lose weight, get stronger or just fitter, it's time to step up and sign up! The Step into Fitness Program is a 6-week, 3-days-a-week program to accomplish those resolutions. Plus ... prizes and awards will be presented to those who complete the program. For more information check the Fitness Room in the Member Services Building (the Rec Building).

It's Tax Time Again ...

You may need to file 2006 taxes if you fall into one of these categories. If you don't, but federal withdrawals were taken out of your check(s), you may get money back by filing. (Amounts are income other than Social Security or VA pension):

Marital Status	Age	Filing	Gross Income
Single	Under 65		\$8,450
Single	65 or older		\$9,700
Married	Both under 65	Joint return	\$16,900
Married	One 65 or older	Joint return	\$17,900
Married	Both 65 or older	Joint return	\$18,900
Married	Any age	Filing separately	\$3,300

February: Gather last year's tax returns and all 2006 tax information you've received and take it to Gay Sherman in the Social Work office located in Holderman Hospital on floor 3E. She'll take them to Warren Warner, CPA in St. Helena and bring them back completed. Possible charges; most are free.

February 3 thru April 14: Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Napa Senior Citizens Center, 1500 Jefferson Street, Napa. Free Courtesy of AARP. Call 255-1800 for appointment.

March 10 & March 24, Saturday: Tax-Aid, a group of professional accountants will prepare your tax return Free between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in Lee Lounge. Drop-in (first come, first served)

Anytime:

Morton & Co. Tax Office
1732 Jefferson St., Ste. 8, Napa
254-0595
Discount for Veterans

H & R Block
3222 Jefferson Street, Napa
Grape Yard Shopping Center
255-9477

If you have any questions, please call Gay Sherman, Social Work Service, at 944-4570, or stop by her office on 3E in Holderman.

NAPA VALLEY MUSEUM



Sat, Feb 17
2 to 3 pm

The Art of Architectural Photography with Adrián Gregorutti, Photographer A native of Argentina, Adrián Gregorutti lived and worked in Spain and Italy before settling in the Napa Valley. His architectural work has appeared in the San Francisco Chronicle Magazine and Interior Design. Adrian will discuss shooting on location where the valley's physical beauty and the architecture of the many outstanding wineries continue to inspire him. Free with admission. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations.

Sat, Feb 24
1 to 4 pm

Class limited
to 20 children,
ages 7 - 14

Collaborative Mural Workshop for Kids with Local Artists Melissa & Mercedes Baker Collectively, children will paint a large landscape representing the Napa Valley. Then they will design, construct and paint their own buildings inspired by the current exhibition to place on the landscape to create a relief-style mural. The class will emphasize the use of imagination, as well as introduce concepts of perspective and color. Free with admission. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations by Feb 21.



Helping Veterans Live Quality Lives

Americans have proven time and time again they are the most generous people on earth. When others have been affected by disasters, war, and crisis, Americans have opened their hearts and wallets to help bring relief and peace of mind to those adversely affected. This generosity has also extended to our Nation's veterans, our heroes.

In 2005, Governor Schwarzenegger signed AB 357 by Assembly member Shirley Horton, which benefits the residents of California's veterans' homes by providing a mechanism for Californians to voluntarily donate via their state tax forms.

Funds donated this way go into the "Veterans Quality of Life Fund" which in turn distributes the proceeds to the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Fund at the state's three currently operating veterans homes. These funds cannot be used to cover the homes' overhead, but must be used for the direct benefit of the residents.

Donating to the Veterans Quality of Life Fund is easy. Taxpayers simply need to specify the amount they wish to donate on line 60 of their state 540 2EZ or 504A tax forms. It is that EZ!

Please remember those who sacrificed for our way of life this tax season. It is one EZ way to thank our veterans.

Sincerely,

Tom Johnson, FACHE, Secretary of Veterans Affairs

From the
Video Library

Thanks to Al
Bronstein,
Section D, for
the 200 much
needed DVD
cases.



Sun, Feb 18
5:00 pm

Three Men and a Baby...Grand! Broadway and recording artists Lee Lessack, Brian Lane Green and John Boswell perform tributes to Broadway, Sinatra, Mercer, the fabulous 50's & 60's and just about every era in between. Their harmonies are incredible and individually each one brings star-power to the stage. So take a walk down melody lane with "Three Men and a Baby ... Grand!" This is a Valentine's Day Weekend Show that will be romantic and popular!

Sun, Feb 25
5:00 pm

Benefit

North Bay Unity League Presents: 19th Annual NV Academy Awards Benefit: Dreaming of Oscar. Live Big Screen Telecast of the 79th Annual MPAA Awards Presented to benefit HIV/AIDS Education and Outreach Programs Includes great food, silent auction, dancing with DJ Rotten Robbie, and no-host bar featuring premier Napa Valley wines.

Sat, Mar 3
7:00 pm

Benefit

LUNAFEST Presents: LUNAFEST Film Festival at Lincoln Theater For 6 years LUNAFEST™ has been a national film festival that showcases short films by, for and about women. LUNAFEST is shown in more than 100 venues nationwide and is seen by over 20,000 viewers. These diverse films embody the unique, humorous, touching, and inspirational roles of women in our local, national and international communities. To date LUNAFEST has raised over \$140,000 for the Breast Cancer Fund and \$250,000 for local communities. Please join us for this opportunity to raise money for a very important cause.

Fri, Mar 9
8:00 pm

The Turn of the Screw Featuring the San Francisco Opera Center's Adler Fellows After the success of last season's Don Giovanni, Lincoln Theater brings back members of San Francisco Opera's prestigious Adler Fellowship Program in performance here in Napa Valley. Don't miss this opportunity to see these extraordinarily talented young stars on stage in Benjamin Britten's haunting opera based on the novella by Henry James. This is a brilliant, spine-tingling opera of ghosts, madness and mystery. Join us for a special preview of the opera by Dr. James Keolker, Friday evening, March 9th at 7:00 pm and Sunday afternoon, March 11 at 2:00 pm. This enlightening lecture is free with ticket to the performance.

Sun, Mar 11
3:00 pm



Tue, Mar 20
7:00 pm

USAF Galaxy Brass Band The United States Air Force Academy Band Ensemble "Galaxy Brass" is coming to Lincoln Theater in Yountville for a FREE performance on Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. The event is FREE and open to the public, but reservations are required and every attendee must have a ticket. Call the Lincoln Theater Box Office at 707-944-1300 for free tickets which will be issued on a first-come



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basis. When it comes to “knock-your-socks-off” entertainment, Galaxy Brass wins the prize. Comprised of eleven brass, percussion and vocal specialists, this unique ensemble lights up stages across America with brassy hits, enticing vocals and audience-engaging choreography. The group presents exciting original arrangements, from traditional brass music to today’s Broadway favorites to classic rock ‘n roll. Galaxy Brass is an innovative concept, blending the very best from the world of brass ensembles with the sizzle of ‘70s horn bands, a unique variety that entertains audiences of all ages. Galaxy Brass performs for hundreds of thousands each year supporting Air Force troop morale, recruiting and community relations missions. Established in 1998, Galaxy Brass’ exciting presentations are redefining and elevating America’s traditional idea of military bands.

Fri, Mar 23
8:00 pm

Lila Downs Presented in partnership with Jacalyn Kane Productions Lila Down’s new wave crossborder Latino music transcends cultural barriers and infuses blues, jazz and traditional cubias into a powerful musical, cultural and political statement. The emotional vibrancy of Lila’s music delves deep into the hearts and minds of common people, invoking struggles, lost loves and legends. Lila’s CD Una Sangra (One Blood) earned a 2004 Latin Grammy, and her performance on the soundtrack of the movie Frida earned her much deserved critical acclaim.

Sun, Mar 25
5:00 pm

Vienna Choir Boys The Vienna Choir Boys is one of the oldest boys’ choirs in the world. For nearly five hundred years they have been a symbol of Austria. In addition to classical choir favorites - from Bach to contemporary music - the Vienna Choir Boys will perform short staged works and children’s operas, which allow the boys to show off their skills as actors and comedians, and even as instrumentalists. The Vienna Choir Boys combines music with poetry, dance, theatre and visual arts. Bring the entire family to enjoy this performance!



Napa Valley Symphony

Sunday March 18, 2007 3:00 pm –

Classical IV : John Covelli, piano Grieg, Piano Concerto, Berlioz: Symphonie Fantastique - Refreshing and vibrant.

sign up
early



Residential Care Special Events

Sign up early! Activities can fill quickly. All activities are subject to change due to bus and driver availability.

February 2007

Date	Time	Event	Bus	Site	Signup
17 Sat	11:30 am	Black History Luncheon		LL	Yes
	1:00 pm	Black History Program		LT	*
18 Sun	7:30 am	Senior Center Brunch	MBS		Yes
	5:00 pm	50's & 60's Music		LT	
19 Mon		Presidents Day Holiday (offices closed)			
21 Wed	12:30 pm	LeMelange	MDR		Yes
25 Sun	1:00 pm	Warriors Basketball	MDR		Yes
27 Tue	9:30 am	Fairfield Mall	MBS		Yes
28 Wed	8:15 am	Sacramento Railroad Museum	MBS		Yes

March 2007

3 Sat	7:30 am	Cribbage Tournament		LL	Yes
	9:30 am	Santa Anita Simulcast	MDR		Yes
6 Tue	8:30 am	Vallejo CostCo	MBS		Yes
9 Fri	8:00 pm	"The Turn of the Screw"		LT	Yes
10 Sat	8:00 am	Tax Assistance		LL	
	2:00 pm	Poets & Writers		GH	
11 Sun	3:00 pm	"The Turn of the Screw"		LT	Yes
14 Wed	9:00 am	Allied Council		GH	
15 Thu	10:00 am	Remembrance		Chp	
18 Sun	7:30 am	Napa Senior Center Brunch	MBS		Yes
	3:00 pm	John Covelli & Symphone		LT	Yes
20 Tue	1:00 pm	Hess Winery Tour	MBS		Yes
	7:00 pm	The Galaxy Brass AF Band		LT	Yes
22 Thu	10:00 am	See's Candy Sale		HRA	
23 Fri	5:00 pm	Warriors Game	MDR		Yes
	8:00 pm	Lila Downs Latino Music		LT	Yes
25 Sun	5:00 pm	Vienna Boys Choir		LT	Yes
28 Wed	8:15 am	SF Ferry Trip	MBS		Yes

** For reserved tickets call the Lincoln Theater Box Office at 944-1300*

Key – 1C/1D: Hospital 1C/1D patio; Bor: Borman Field; Chp: Chapel; GH: Grant Hall; GR: Games Room; HL: Hospital Lobby; HRA: Hospital Recreation Area; LL: Lee Lounge; LT: Lincoln Theater; MBS: Main Bus Stop; MDR: Main Dining Room; MPG: Main Picnic Grounds; SF: San Francisco; Tav: Tavern; VHC: Veterans Home Cemetery; VGC: Vintners Golf Course; VHL: Veterans Home Lanes; XII: Annex II; Ynt: Yountville; YVP: Yountville Veterans Park.



Fat Tuesday Celebration

Tuesday, February 20 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm in the HRA.
Swing/Jazz and Blues from Johnny Smith & Friends.

Living at the Veterans Home of California in Yountville

Week 2 (B)
thru 24, 2007

Main Dining Room Menu

February 18

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
B R E A K F A S T	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Sausage Gravy Biscuit	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Cream of Rice Fried Eggs Corned Beef Hash English Muffin	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Omelets Salsa Bacon Toast	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Creamed Chipped Beef w/ Biscuit	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals French Toast w/ syrup Sausage Link	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Fried Eggs w/ Bacon Breakfast Potatoes English Muffins	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Cheese Blintz w/Fruit Compote Sausage
L U N C H	Roast Beef w/Gravy Seasoned French Green Beans Baked Potato w/Sour Cream Bread Boston Cream Pie	 Butternut Squash Soup Chicken Marsala Seasoned Broccoli Brown Rice Bread Cherry Pie Ice Cream	Swedish Meatballs Scandinavian Vegetables Buttered Noodles Bread Mandarin Oranges	Beef Brisket w/Gravy Brussels Sprouts Onion Parmesan Potatoes Bread Milano Cookies	Glazed Chicken Seasoned Broccoli & Cauliflower Mix Wild Rice Rolls Pumpkin Pie	Marinated Beets Crab Cakes w/Tartar Sauce Seasoned Yukon Gold Potatoes Bread Ice Cream	Tossed Salad Boneless BBQ Beef Ribs Italian Green Beans Seasoned Corn Bread Rice Pudding
S U P P E R	Battered Halibut Glazed Carrots Red Roasted Potatoes Bread Tropical Fruit	Chili with Beans Mixed Vegetables Vegetables Northern Style Cornbread Tapioca Pudding	Turkey Roast Seasoned Peas with pimentos Bread Dressing Bread Chocolate Cake	Hot Dog with all the fixings Coleslaw Baked Beans Chilled Cherries	Minestrone Soup Lasagna Seasoned Spinach French Bread Fruit Cocktail	French Dip Sandwich w/ Au Jus Mediterranean Vegetables Lemon Meringue Pie	Linguini with Clam Sauce Seasoned Zucchini Winter Mix Garlic Bread Fresh Grapes

Breakfast: 6:30-8:00 Continental Breakfast: 8:00-9:00

Lunch: 11:00-1:00

Supper: 4:00-6:00

Approved By: Pat Schultz, RD #622918

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February 25 thru March 03,

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
B R E A K F A S T	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Malt O Meal Sausage Gravy W/Biscuit Milk/Coffee/Tea	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Cream of Rice Fried Eggs Corn Beef Hash English Muffin Milk/Coffee/Tea	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Cream of Wheat Omelets Salsa Breakfast Potatoes Bacon Cinnamon Roll Milk/Coffee/Tea	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Oatmeal Creamed Chipped Beef W/Biscuit Milk/Coffee/Tea	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Grits Cinnamon French Toast Assorted Toppings Sausage Links Milk/Coffee/Tea	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Cream of Wheat Fried Eggs Bacon English Muffins Milk/Coffee/Tea	Assorted Juices Assorted Cereals Oatmeal Omelet Potato Pancakes Milk/Coffee/Tea
L U N C H	Roast Turkey W/ Gravy Cranberry Sauce Brussels Sprouts Stuffing Bread Strawberry Shortcake	Lemon Pepper Fish Steamed Green Beans Baked Potato w/Sour Cream Bread Ice Cream	Salisbury Steak W/ Gravy Zucchini Winter Mix Mashed Potatoes Bread Chilled Apricots	Marinated Mushroom Salad Ham Steak Seasoned Peas W/Pimento Sweet Potatoes Peach Cobbler	Corned Beef Cabbage, Carrots & Onions Boiled Potatoes Rye Bread Oatmeal Cookies	N.E. Clam Chowder Seafood Platter W/Lemon French Fries Cole Slaw Bread Ice Cream	BBQ Chicken Seasoned Peas Potato Salad Bread Sweet Potato Pie
S U P P E R	Beef Pepper Steak Steamed Rice Seasoned Broccoli & Cauliflower Bread Fruit Cocktail	Chicken Patty With or without a bun Lettuce & Tomato Mixed Vegetables Chilled Peaches	Pork Chop w/Country Style Potatoes Spinach Bread Carrot Cake	Spaghetti W/Italian Meat Sauce Parmesan Cheese Italian Vegetables Garlic Bread Fresh Grapes	Vegetable Soup Egg Salad Sandwich Lettuce and Tomato Cucumber and Onion Salad Orange Section	Polish Sausage W/Sauerkraut Ranch Style Beans Seasoned Spinach Bread Tropical Fruit	Hungarian Goulash Scandinavian Vegetables Buttered Noodles Bread Chilled Cherries

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MOVIE NIGHT IN GRANT HALL

Fri, Feb 16 – “The Illusionist”

This new (2006) film drama stars Edward Norton as a master magician who runs afoul of an evil crown prince in old Vienna. Paul Giamatti plays a detective whose task is to expose the magician’s illusions as fake. The interplay between the actors is one of the film’s special delights. ☆☆☆

Wed, Feb 21 – “The Goodbye Girl”

This 1977 Neil Simon comedy stars Richard Dreyfuss and Marsha Mason. The story puts young Dreyfuss and divorcee Mason as unwilling roommates in a New York City apartment and their growing relationship. There is a top-notch script and performances. Dreyfuss won an Oscar. Three stars ☆☆☆

Fri, Feb 23 – “Flags of our Fathers”

A new (2006) World War 2 film directed by Clint Eastwood. The story is about the marines and sailor who raised the flag at Iwo Jima, as is known by the famous photograph. It tells the story of the survivors of the flag raising who went on an early 1945 savings bond tour and their personal lives. This is a powerful film showing realistic, violent battle scenes. It is an important movie showing life on and off the battlefield at famous historical events surrounding the battlefield at Iwo Jima. Adam Beach is featured in a cast with fine performances.



Wed, Feb 28 – “Much Ado about Nothing”

A 1993 film of the Shakespeare comedy from director/actor Kenneth Branagh. The all star cast includes Branagh, Michael Keaton, Kenneth Reeves, Emma Thompson, Denzel Washington and Kate Beckinsale. Rowdy, high spirited and fast paced- brings vigor to the Shakespeare comedy. Three stars ☆☆☆

Fri, Mar 2 – “Mrs. Palfrey at the Claremont”

A new (2005) comedy/drama stars Joan Plowright and introducing Rubert Friend. This is a pleasant story of an elegant, genteel widow who has come from Scotland to London to take up residency at the Claremont hotel. The interaction with the other residents, her grandson and a new-found young male friend make the story interesting, tender touching and deeply moving. Especially recommended as a fine film without violence, no strong language and no sexual situations. Peter O’toole’s son, Lorcan O’toole plays the grandson. Three stars ☆☆☆



GRANT HALL
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Wednesdays &
Fridays

Special selected
presentations at
5:30 pm

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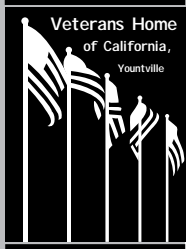
Neil Remnant,
Movie
Coordinator

Monday Night Movies in the HRA

Mon, Feb 19 – “Carousel” with Gordon MacRae and Shirley Jones

Mon, Feb 26 – “Flying Down to Rio” with Dolores Del Rio, Gene Raymond, Ginger Rogers, Fred Astaire

Movies begin at 6 pm, Bear Flag Bus rides to Sections after end of movie

A large, semi-transparent watermark of the AMVETS Service Foundation logo is centered in the background. It is a circular emblem with a gold laurel wreath border. Inside the wreath is a red circle with the words "AMERICAN VETERANS" in white. In the center of the red circle is a white silhouette of a soldier in uniform, holding a rifle.

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